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CHAPTER
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Sousou vs Toutaku
WHERE'S TOUTAKU!!
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We were having a hard time fighting Toutaku's enormous strength...
JUUZA! WHY ARE YOU STILL IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?!
ARE YOU ONLY TALK, AFTER ALL?!
!!
...TCH!
DAMMIT ...

!?
SOUSOU-SAMA!

RYOUFU...
FUFU...♥
TO SEE THE PAINED FACE OF A PRIDEFUL MAN SUCH AS YOURSELF... I CAN'T GET ENOUGH!
Sousou and Ryoufu... just what happened here?

!?
I CAN'T LET YOU GO,
KAN'U-SAN.
YOU BASTARD !!
CHOURYOU-CHAN!

BUT... IF I LET HER GO NOW, KAN'U-SAN WILL GO TO TOUTAKU-SHOGUN.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO MY KITTEN?!
RYOUFU-SAMA...
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT!
THE SHOGUN ALREADY RAN AWAY.
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IT'S AS RYOUFU SAID.

CHOUHI! HERE!
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ANEKI!
TOUTAKU RAN AWAY..?
THE SHO-GUN'S ARMY WILL BE HERE SOON.
THAT WON'T BE GOOD FOR YOU, NO?
...IT SEEMS THAT WAY.
INFORM ALL THE TROOPS ...!
WE'RE RE-TREATING FAST...!

We failed our attack on the shogun, so the rest of the warriors and the Mao Clan retreated from Rakuyou.
KAN'U... *HIC*
I WAS SO WORRIED! UGHH...
By the time we reached Sousou's castle in Haikoku, 5 days had passed...

I NO LONGER HAVE USE FOR RYUUBI, SO YOU CAN HAVE HIM BACK.
RYUUBI! YOU WERE SAFE...
...WHAT ARE YOU PLOTTING?
EVEN IF I'D KEEP RYUUBI, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO STAY WITH ME.
NOW THAT YOU ATTACKED TOUTAKU WITH ME, YOU ARE ALL REBELS.

TO TOUTAKU, WE'RE CRIMINALS WHO TRIED TO TAKE HIS LIFE. THERE IS NO PLACE TO RUN.
WE MUST DEFEAT HIM.
!
NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU APOLOGIZE, HE WON'T BELIEVE YOU.
...
I HAVE A PLAN.

*He said he'd write a gekibun," which means he'll write his requeat and urge them to act

A few weeks later at the anti-Toutaku base
KAN'U~!
THERE ARE SO MANY HORSES!
YEAH!
A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE GATHERED.
RIGHT?
SO MANY LORDS CAME BECAUSE OF SOUSOU'S SUMMONING

KAN'U,
WE'LL HOLD A MEETING WITH THE VASSALS NOW AND DECIDE OUR STRATEGY.
BE READY TO DEPART ANY TIME.
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We must defeat Touraku, or we'll be on the run forever...
Will the day when we can go back to our village come? Will Sousou really release us?
KAN'U ?
KAN'U, IT'S YOU, ISN'T IT!

CHOU-UN...!!
WHY ARE YOU HERE ?!
MY MASTER, KOU SOUSAN-SAMA, WAS SUMMONED BY SOUSOU-SAMA.
WE'LL PARTICI-PATE IN THIS WAR AGAINST TOUTAKU.
...I HEARD ABOUT THE MAO . TO THINK YOU'D GET INVOLVED THIS FAR.
AH...
I FEEL BAD FOR RETURN-ING TO MY COUNTRY WITHOUT KNOWING YOU SUFFERED LIKE THAT.
PLEASE DON'T!
YOU SHOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT THAT!

...YOU ARE SO STRONG.
THIS SMILE YOU'RE SHOWING ME IN THE MIDDLE OF A BATTLEFIELD IS TOO BEAUTIFUL.
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, CALL ME. THIS TIME, I'LL BE BY YOUR SIDE.
I'LL PROTECT THIS SMILE.

MY LORDS,
FOR ANSWERING MY SUMMONS
AND FOR ALLOWING ME TO BORROW THIS BASE, I EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE.

Kou Sousan
Enshou
Enjustu
Bachou
Touken

WELL, THEN, SOUSOU-DONO.
IN ORDER FOR US TO MAKE A PROPER ALLIANCE, WE'LL NEED AN OFFICIAL LEADER...
YES... ABOUT THAT.
EH?! ME?!
I WAS THINKING OF ELECTING ENSHOU-DONO.
I SEE! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!
...I MIGHT BE LACKING, BUT I'LL GIVE YOU MY BEST.
HM!
THAT GUY, HUH...
YES! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU!
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I WON'T FOLLOW HIS ORDERS.
IT'S A MISUNDERSTANDING THAT HE'S REPRESENTING THE EN CLAN.
ENJUTSU-DONO... I THOUGHT YOU'D BE OF USE, EVEN IF YOU'RE A BRANCH CLAN.
!
HA!
THE GUY ADDING JUUZA TO HIS ARMY IS TELLING ME THAT!
NOW, NOW, ENJUSTU-DONO, CALM DOWN.
YOU'RE CHANGING THE SUBJECT TO ANOTHER ARMY... RIDICULOUS.
...WELL, THEN, SOUSOU-DONO, WHAT WILL YOUR STRATEGY BE?
JUUZA ...
WHAT?!
TCH!

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I HAVE AN IDEA. TAKE A LOOK AT THIS MAP.
WE HAVE TO PASS THROUGH TWO FORTRESSES TO GET TO TOUTAKU: SHISUIKAN AND KOROUKAN.
OUR NEXT TARGET IS SHISUIKAN
IT'S IN THE MOUNTAINS, AND WE CAN'T BRING A LARGE ARMY AND HEAVY ARTILLERY.
IF OUR FOOD SOURCES ARE CUT OFF, WE DON'T BE ABLE TO LAST A LONG TIME. BUT THE SAME GOES FOR OUR ENEMY.
I WANT TO END THIS AS QUICKLYAS POSSIBLE.
AT THIS POINT, THE POSSIBILITY OF TOUTAKU DIVIDING HIS TROOPS AND ATTACKING US FROM BOTH SIDES IS LOW. .
THERE'S ONE MORE REASON.

THE ENEMY'S LEADER IS KAYUU.
KAYUU ?!
IN TOUTAKU'S ARMY, HE AND RYOUFU ARE ALWAYS FIGHTING FOR THE POSITION OF SECOND IN COMMAND..
THAT'S WHY I WANT TO GATHER THE BEST WARRIORS FROM ALL OF OUR ALLIES.
...I THINK THIS PLAN WILL BE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE.
WHAT DO THE REST THINK?
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TOMORROW'S BATTLE WILL PROBABLY BE TOUGH...
HOWEVER, LET'S UNITE AND DEFEAT TOUTAKU'S ARMY!

!
IT SEEMS THE MEETING IS OVER

IF THE OTHER LORDS SEE ME, THEY'LL CALL ME A JUUZA AGAIN .. I MUST HIDE...
OI!
LOOK AT THAT GIRL...!
YEAH... THOSE EARS...
SO, THAT'S A JUUZA, HUH?
.....
THAT'S
A JUUZA...?

HAAH..
IT MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID EVERYONE ALL THE TIME IN THIS PLACE.
HEEH... SO THE RUMORED JUUZA,
IS YOU, LADY?

EH?
AH...
UM...?
WHAT'S YOUR NAME, MY LADY?
IT'S... KA... KAN'U... BUT...
This is high quality!
GREAT NAME!
BUT I WAS SURPRISED! THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN A JUUZA. TO THINK THAT THE WOMEN FIGHT, TOO..!
Um... you're a bit close
IT'S NOT VERY COMMON IN THE MAO CLAN, EITHER..
MAO CLAN? YOU'RE NOT CALLED JUUZA?
HE'S CURIOUS, BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THE MAO...

YES... THE HUMANS DECIDED TO CALL US JUUZA ON THEIR OWN. IT'S DE-MEANING...
I SEE. THEY DON'T WANT TO ACCEPT ANYONE OTHER THAN US, RIGHT?
IT'S FUNNY, REALLY.
"Other than us..."?
MY SELF-INTRODUCTION'S A BIT LATE, BUT I'M BACHOU FROM THE KIBA'S BA CLAN
The Ba Clan... so they're a minority, too.
WE ARE A GROUP OF FREE PEOPLE WHO ROAM THE LAND, TOGETHER WITH OUR HORSES.

UM...
SORRY I CALLED YOU A JUUZA.
YOU DIDN'T KNOW, SO IT'S OKAY.
ALSO, NOT EVERY MAO WOMAN GOES TO THE BATTLE-FIELD... IT'S JUST THAT I'M A LITTLE DIFFERENT...
!
HEEH! SO YOU'RE A SPECIAL LADY! THIS IS GETTING MORE AND MORE INTERESTING! YOU'RE LIKE A LONE FLOWER BLOOMING ON THE BATTLEFIELD.
A... A FLOWER...
ARE YOU EMBAR-RASSED? THAT'S A VERY TEMPTING FACE.
WAKA-! WHERE ARE YOU-!

UGH, SUCH A NUISANCE!
NO CHOICE, THEN.
WHA...
I'LL COME BACK TO WOO YOU LATER, MY LADY.
WHAT'S WITH THIS PERSON ...!!

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RYUUBI... ARE YOU HERE?
?
I kicked some-thing?
OH, SLEEP-ING IN SUCH A PLACE...

He didn't seem like one...
Is that person really a general ...?
THAT BACHOU PERSON FROM TODAY...
I wonder if he says such things to everyone...?
Aaah, come on!
IT'S FULL OF WEIRD OLD MEN!
WHAT'S WITH THOSE PEOPLE! THERE'S NO END TO THEM!
ANEKI!
CHOUHI ...!
Juuza, Juuza, so noisy!

THEY WERE ALL SUMMONED BY SOUSOU.
...IMPRESSIVE, RIGHT?
...! WHY ARE YOU PRAISING SOUSOU!!
...I'M ANGRY NOW. I'LL SLEEP.
EH?!
Why?!
COME ON! GO SLEEP AT YOUR OWN PLACE!
RYUUBI'S SLEEPING HERE TOO, ISN'T HE!
RYUUBI'S FINE!

I WANT TO BE WITH ANEKI, TOO.
WHY CAN'T I?
EH...?